



## BRESLAU MENNONITE CHURCH

Sunday April 7, 2024

*Nurturing Growth, Welcoming Community,  
Building Peace, Honouring Land, Cultivating Learning*  
Willowgrove Mission

### GATHERING IN FAITH AND WORSHIP

**Prelude**

**Welcome**

**Call to Worship**

God calls us in the wind and whisper;

**in the laughter of children  
and the chirping of crickets.**

God beckons us through the brilliance of stars in the night sky,

**the dance of sunshine on waves,  
and the glowing embers in a campfire.**

May we open our hearts to God's call – to God's presence.

May we draw near to God's warmth and to one another,

**united with all creatures,  
to celebrate community and to praise God.**

**Prayer of Gathering**

**Hymns**

Morning Has Broken #495 VT

Siyahamba (We Are Marching) #793 VT

**Prayer of Thanksgiving - Giving Our First Fruit Offerings**

**Children's Offering Project – Food4Kids**

### LEARNING AND GROWING TOGETHER

**Children's Story**

Linda F

**Scripture**

Matthew 13:34-35

**Sermon**

Stories in Need of Protagonists

Johnny Wideman

**Hymn**

In the Bulb There is a Flower #670 VT

### SHARING THE LOVE OF CHRIST IN COMMUNITY

**Sharing Our Joys and Concerns**

**Praying Together**

**Hymn**

Be a Sower #789 VT

**Benediction**

**Postlude**

*VT Voices Together*

**Welcome** to our special guest **Johnny Wideman**, Willowgrove's Executive Director. <https://www.willowgrove.ca>

**Welcome!**  
**Following the worship service**  
**ALL are invited to coffee/tea and conversation.**

Worship Leader  
Accompanist  
Chorister  
Scripture Reader  
Sound & Tech  
Greeter  
Ushers  
Nursery  
Coffee

Pastor Eleanor  
Sherrie T  
Justin M  
Kristen GB  
Matt V  
Kathy F  
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Chanel C  
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